# STATEMENT OF WORK Critical Area Planting (342) Vermont

These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For other planned practice deliverables refer to those specific Statements of Work.

#### **Deliverables**

#### **DESIGN**

- 1. Design documents that demonstrate criteria in NRCS practice standard have been met and are compatible with planned and applied practices
  - a. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan.
  - b. List of required permits to be obtained by the client
  - c. List all required and/or facilitating practices
  - d. Practice standard criteria-related computations and analyses to develop plans and specifications including but not limited to:
    - i. Planting dates
    - ii. Site and seedbed preparation
    - iii. Soil amendments required w/ soil lab test results (3yr old or less)
    - iv. Species selection, seeding or planting rates and establishment method
    - v. Type and amount of mulch required
- 2. Written plans and specifications including sketches, job sheets, and drawings shall be provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits.
- 3. Operation and maintenance plan
- 4. Certification that the design meets practice standard criteria and comply with applicable laws and regulations
- 5. Design modifications during application as required

### **INSTALLATION**

- 1. Pre-application conference with client
- 2. Verification that client has obtained required permits
- 3. Staking and layout according to plans and specifications including applicable layout notes
- 4. Application guidance as needed
- 5. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer
- 6. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, tribal, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during application
- 7. Certification that the application process and materials meets design and permit requirements

## **CHECK OUT**

- 1. Records of application
  - a. Extent of practice units applied
  - b. Actual materials used including source of seed or plant material
- 2. Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits
- 3. Progress reporting

### **REFERENCES**

- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard Critical Area Planting 342 http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/references/public/VT/VT342-0404.pdf
- NRCS National Agronomy Manual http://policy.nrcs.usda.gov/scripts/lpsiis.dll/M/M 190 NAM.htm
- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook http://policy.nrcs.usda.gov/scripts/lpsiis.dll/H/H 190 610 Content.htm
- NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook http://policy.nrcs.usda.gov/scripts/lpsiis.dll/H/H 190 601 Content.htm

NRCS Plant Materials web resources. http://plant-materials.nrcs.usda.gov/

Vermont Crops and Soils web resources. <a href="http://pss.uvm.edu/vtcrops/">http://pss.uvm.edu/vtcrops/</a>

Invasive Plant Atlas of New England http://invasives.eeb.uconn.edu/ipane/invasivealerts/invasives.htm